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The MAN who SAVED the CHALLENGERS' LIVES

CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN

Chapter 1

WHAT?

YES, GENTLEMEN! I, WILFRED CLAYTON, RISKED MY LIFE TO SAVE ALL OF YOU! AND NOW I DEMAND THE SAME IN RETURN -- YOUR LIVES!

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IN A SWANK HOTEL, THE FAMED QUARTET STARES CURIOUSLY AT THE MAN WHO INVITED THEM...

MR. CLAYTON, SUPPOSE YOU EXPLAIN THIS MESSAGE YOU HAD FORWARDED TO US-- "YOU OWE ME YOUR LIVES!"

IT MEANS PRECISELY WHAT IT SAYS, GENTLEMEN! IN FACT, YOU HAVE OWED ME THIS DEBT FOR SOME YEARS!

YOU--AND EVERYONE ELSE-- HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT FATE INTERVENED THAT STORMY NIGHT TO SAVE ALL FOUR OF YOU FROM DEATH IN A PLANE CRASH. BUT ACTUALLY IT WAS I WHO DID IT!

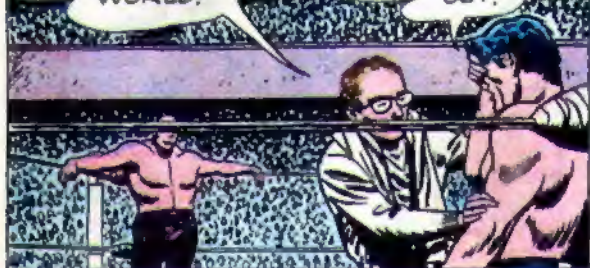
WHAT? THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! WE KNOW EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED THAT NIGHT WE FIRST MET-- AND ALMOST DIED TOGETHER!



SLOWLY, EACH CHALLENGER RECALLS THE EVENTS LEADING UP TO THAT FATEFUL NIGHT! ROCKY REMEMBERS A WRESTLING MATCH...

YOU WON THAT FIRST FALL EASILY, ROCKY! ONE MORE AND YOU'LL STAY HEAVY-WEIGHT WRESTLING CHAMP OF THE WORLD!

IT WASN'T EASY, PAL! I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH ME! I ALMOST BLACKED OUT!



THEN, AS THE MATCH RESUMED...

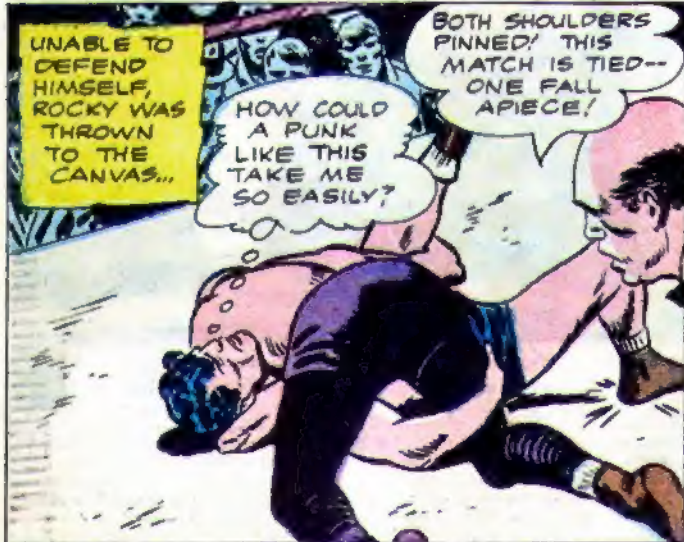
WHAT--? I--I CAN'T SEE HIM CLEARLY! WH-WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME?



UNABLE TO DEFEND HIMSELF, ROCKY WAS THROWN TO THE CANVAS...

HOW COULD A PUNK LIKE THIS TAKE ME SO EASILY?

BOTH SHOULDERS PINNED! THIS MATCH IS TIED-- ONE FALL A PIECE!



AS ROCKY RETURNED TO HIS CORNER...

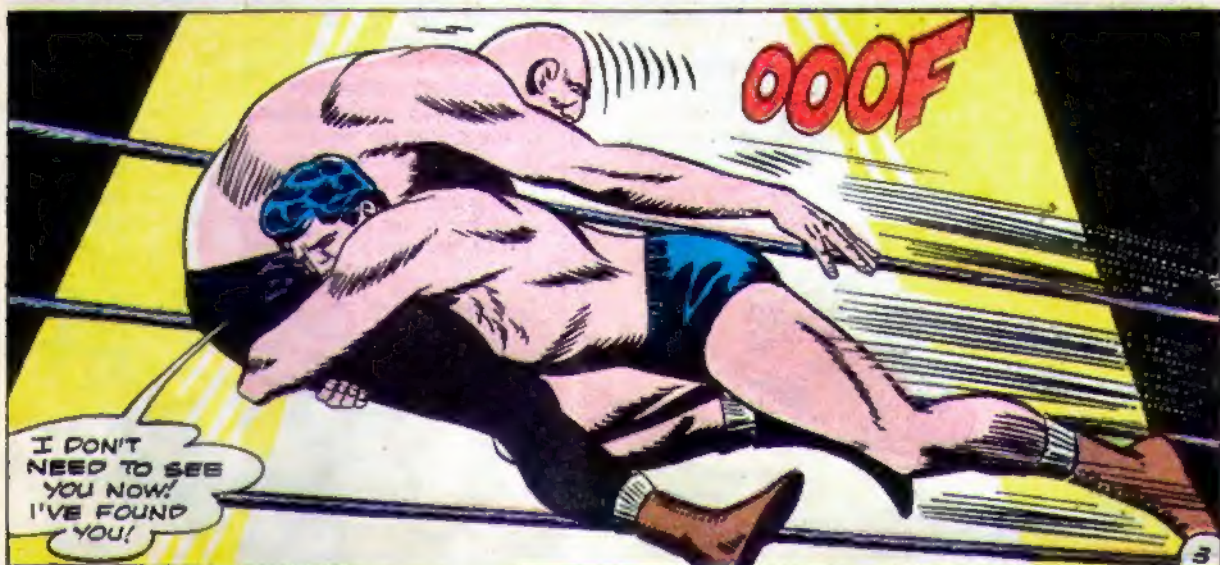
ROCKY-BOY! I JUST GOT WORD-- THE GYNDICATE BOYS SLIPPED SOMETHING INTO YOUR WATER! THEY BET HEAVY MONEY AGAINST YOU, AND INSURED IT THIS WAY! QUIT NOW, BEFORE BARTON KILLS YOU!

QUIT? LET A PACK OF CROOKS STEAL MY CROWN? I DON'T DIG THAT IDEA!





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WHAT FOLLOWED WAS A ROUTINE WIN FOR THE GREAT WRESTLER! LATER...

THE POLICE PICKED UP THOSE GAMBLERS, ROCKY! HOW DOES IT FEEL TO WIN A MATCH AND BREAK A GAMBLING SYNDICATE IN ONE NIGHT?

IT FEELS FINE-- BECAUSE THIS WIN GUARANTEES ME 50 G'S FOR MY NEXT MATCH! AND THAT'S WHAT I'M IN THE GAME FOR-- CASH!

I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING THAT WILL REALLY MAKE YOU PROUD! WE JUST GOT WORD YOU'RE INVITED TO BE A GUEST ON THAT TV SHOW--"HEROES!"

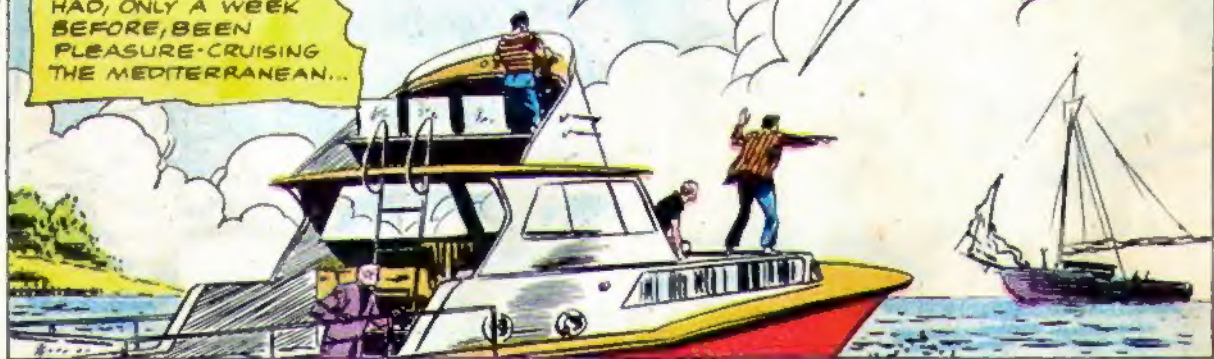
BIG DEAL! THAT GLORY STUFF DOESN'T IMPRESS ME! WHAT DOES IS ALL THAT LOOT THEY PAY FOR APPEARING ON THE SHOW! THAT'S REAL GLORY!



THE CHARTERED PLANE THAT WOULD CARRY ROCKY TO THAT SHOW AWAITED TWO OTHER PASSENGERS! ONE, PROF HALEY, HAD, ONLY A WEEK BEFORE, BEEN PLEASURE-CRUISE THE MEDITERRANEAN...

WE'RE REALLY LIVING IT UP, BOYS! COULDN'T THINK OF A BETTER WAY TO SPEND ALL THAT MONEY UNCLE CYRUS LEFT ME!

WE'RE HAVING A REAL BALL, PROF! HEY-- I'VE GOT A STUPENDOUS IDEA! THAT OLD FISHING SMACK--LET'S GIVE IT A SCARE!



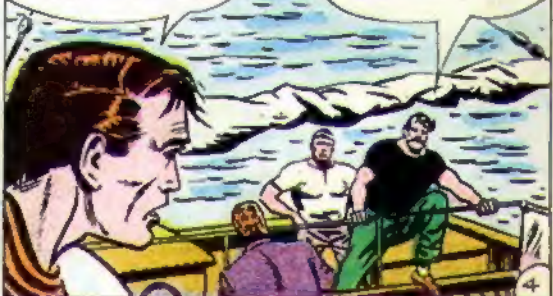
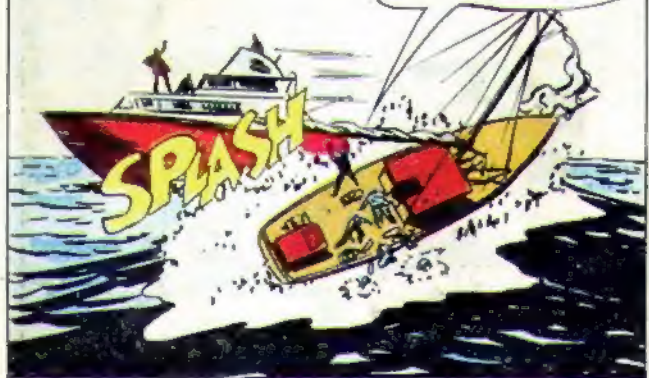
PROF HEADED HIS YACHT STRAIGHT FOR THE CRAFT, AND THEN...

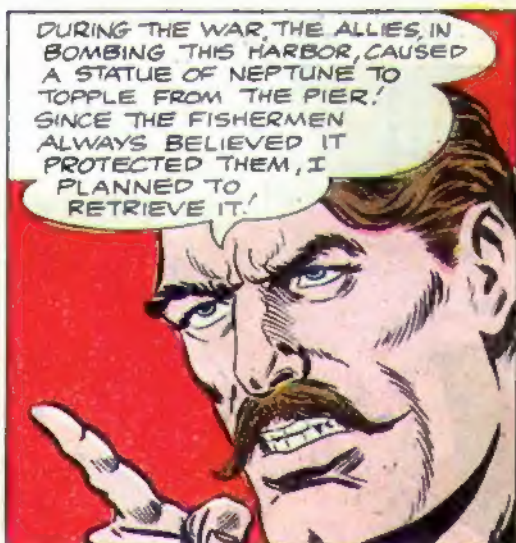
YOU--YOU--YOU BLOOMING IDIOTS! HAVE YOU LOST WHAT FEEBLE SENSE YOU POSSESSED?

AFTER THE ANGRY VICTIM DREW ALONGSIDE...

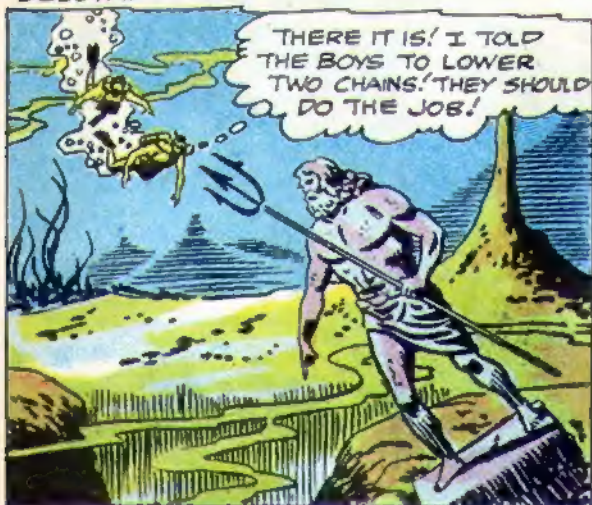
GREAT GODFREY! YOU'RE NO FISHERMAN. I RECOGNIZE YOU-- YOU'RE SIR LAWRENCE REVERE, THE MARINE EXPERT! I READ EVERY ONE OF YOUR BOOKS!

THAT'S A POOR ADVERTISE- MENT FOR THEM! DO YOU REALIZE YOUR STUPID FRANK COST ME HALF MY DIVING EQUIPMENT?





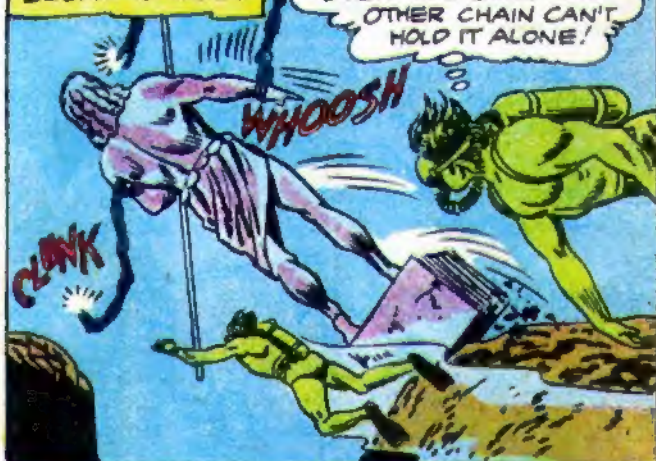
SOON, IN THE CRYSTAL-CLEAR WATERS BELOW...



WARILY THEY SECURED THE CHAINS TO THE STATUE, UNTIL...



BUT, SUDDENLY AS THE STATUE BEGAN TO RISE...



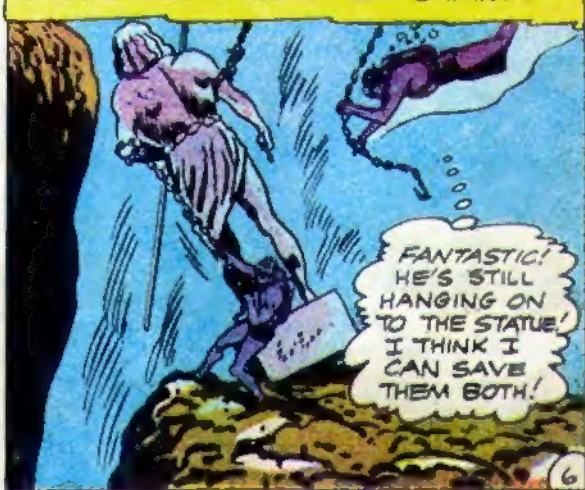
IN A DESPERATE EFFORT TO SAVE THE STATUE, SIR LAWRENCE LUNGED FORWARD...

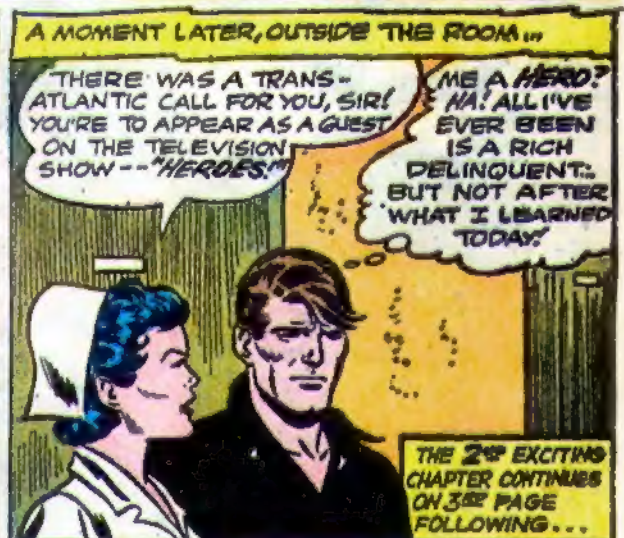
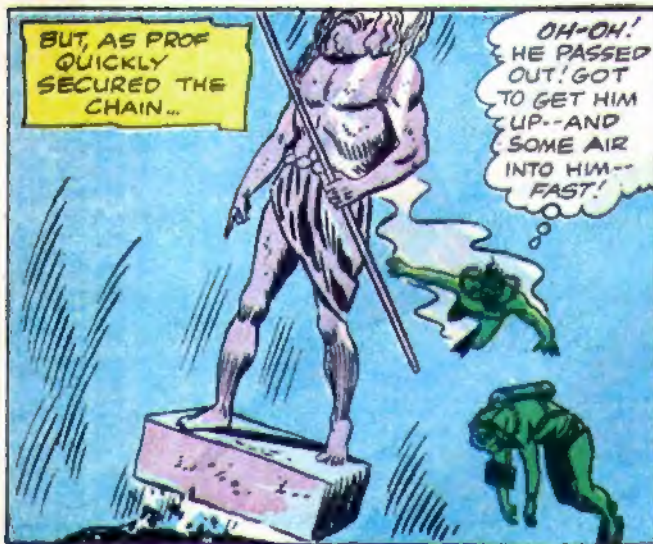


I'M MOTIONING HIM TO GO TOPSIDE, BUT HE KEEPS REFUSING! I--I'M STARTING TO BLACK OUT! I'M USELESS TO HIM NOW! GOT TO GO UP!



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THE SECRET from the CHALLENGERS' PAST

PROF HALEY SET OUT TO CATCH THE CHARTERED PLANE THAT WAS TO WING HIM TO HIS GUEST TV APPEARANCE! ABOARD HE WAS DESTINED TO MEET, AMONG THE OTHERS, RED RYAN, MOUNTAIN CLIMBER AND ELECTRONICS EXPERT, WHOSE ADVENTURE BEGAN IN SOUTH AMERICA, SEVERAL WEEKS EARLIER...

...THUS BECAUSE I AM VERY RICH, SEÑOR RYAN, I WISH TO USE MY MONEY AND REMAINING DAYS TO ERECT A GREAT RADIO TRANSMITTER ATOP MONTE BLANCO TO HELP EDUCATE MY POOR COUNTRYMEN!

A NOBLE SENTIMENT, SEÑOR DOMINGO, BUT WHAT INTERESTS ME IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD A TRANSMITTER THAT I DESIGNED LONG AGO BUT COULDN'T AFFORD TO BUILD! IT'S A DEAL SEÑOR!

DESPITE THE CRUEL CONDITIONS, THE WORK WAS FINISHED...

WITH PREPARATIONS COMPLETED IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, RED BEGAN THE DANGEROUS CLIMB UP THE TOWERING MOUNTAIN...

SOME FUN WORKING UP HERE! I'D BUST OUT LAUGHING IF I WASN'T AFRAID THE COLD WOULD CRACK MY FACE!

ALL I HAVE TO DO NOW IS ADJUST THE TRANSMITTER TOMORROW MORNING, AND THE PEASANTS WITHIN A 200-MILE RADIUS WILL START THEIR EDUCATION!



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BUT THAT NIGHT, A NOISE CAUSED RED TO SNAP AWAKE...

I DID NOT WISH TO HARM YOU, SEÑOR! I CAME TO TELL YOU SEÑOR DOMINGO WANTS THIS RADIO STATION TO PROPAGANDIZE MY PEOPLE, SO HE CAN BECOME THEIR DICTATOR! YOU MUST DESTROY IT!

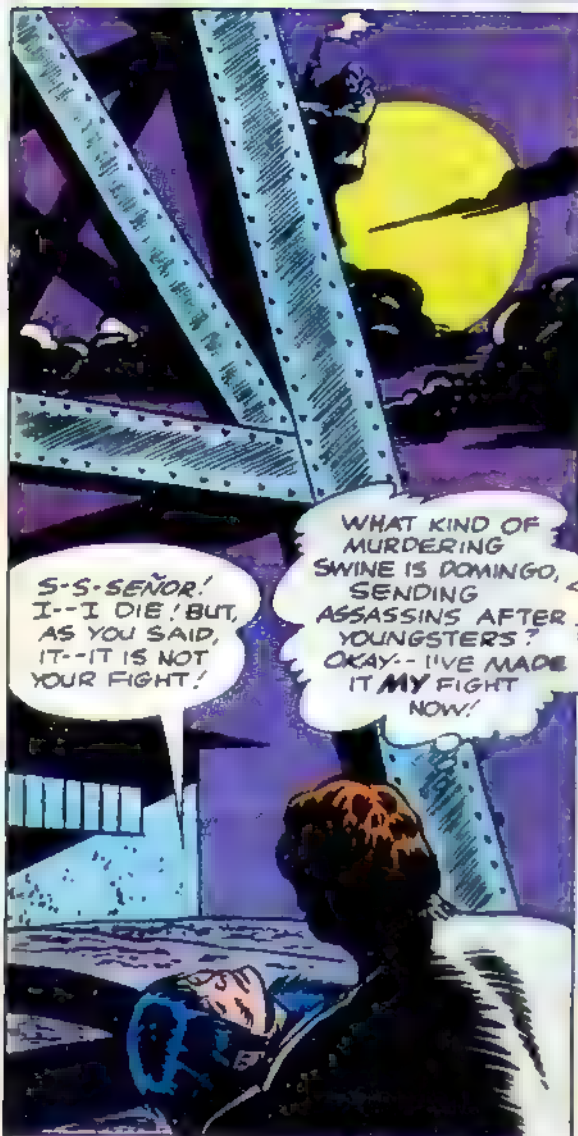
BUILDING THIS TRANSMITTER WAS MY SINGLE GREATEST AMBITION... AND I KEEP MY NOSE OUT OF OTHER PEOPLE'S POLITICS! NOW SCRAM!



NO SOONER DID THE DEJECTED YOUTH LEAVE THE TENT THAN...

BLAM
BLAM
BLAM

THE KID'S BEEN SHOT!



S-S-SEÑOR! I--I DIE! BUT, AS YOU SAID, IT--IT IS NOT YOUR FIGHT!

WHAT KIND OF MURDERING SWINE IS DOMINGO, SENDING ASSASSINS AFTER YOUNGSTERS? OKAY-- I'VE MADE IT MY FIGHT NOW!

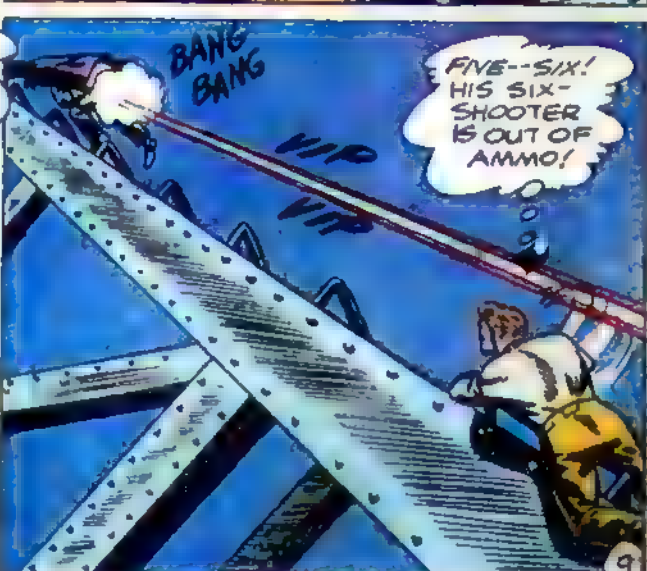
RECKLESSLY RED RACED TOWARD THE GUNSLINGER...



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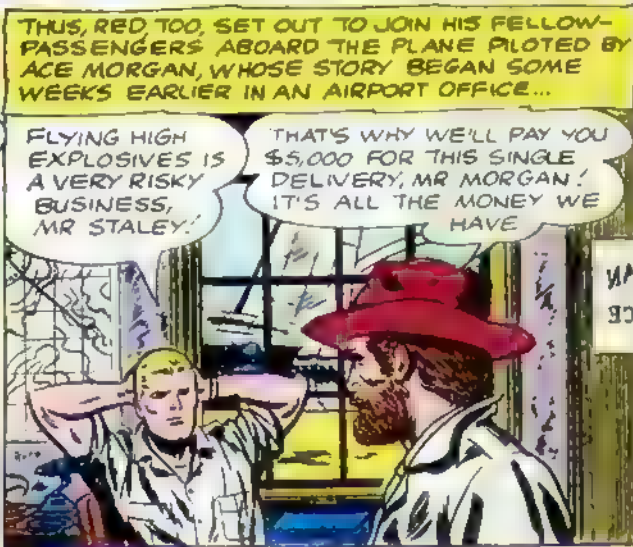
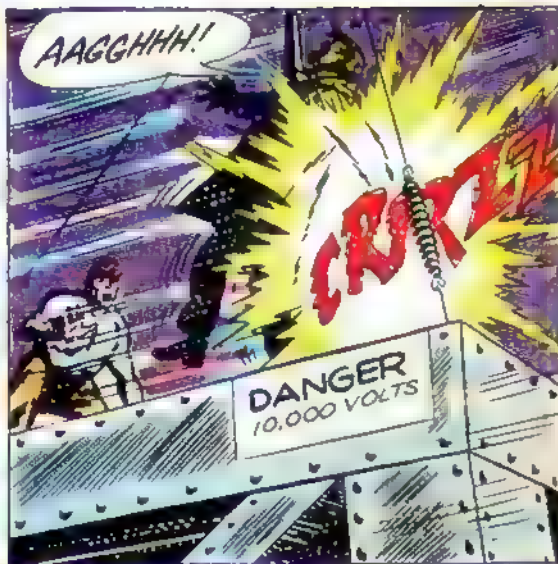
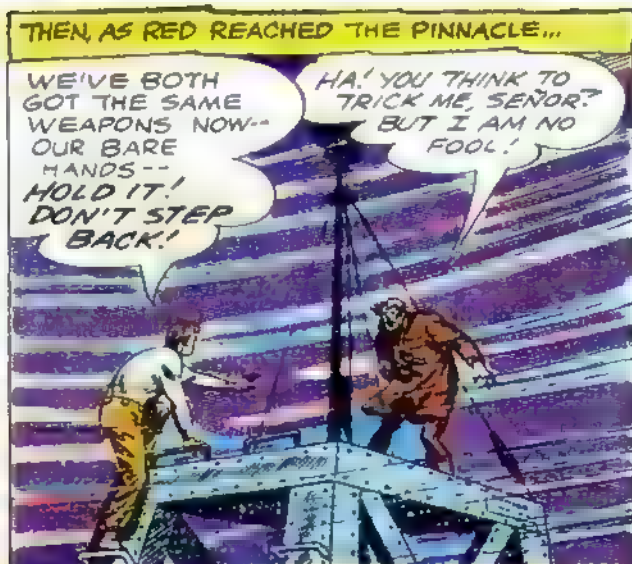
BANG

MISSED ME! THAT MAKES FOUR SHOTS HE'S USED SO FAR!



BANG
BANG

FIVE--SIX! HIS SIX-SHOOTER IS OUT OF AMMO!



SUDDENLY, ACE CONCEIVED A DARING PLAN, AND SHORTLY, AT THE SITE OF THE MINE...

THAT DANG FOOL IS BUZZING US! HAS HE LOST HIS MIND?

NO! I DON'T KNOW WHY HE'S DOING IT, BUT I THINK I KNOW WHAT HE WANTS FROM US! CLEAR THE AREA-- QUICKLY!

MOMENTS LATER, FLYING DANGEROUSLY LOW TO SCORE ACCURATELY ACE DUMPED HIS DEADLY CARGO...

BAROON

A DIRECT HIT... BUT HIS PLANE'S BEEN ROCKED BY THE CONCUSSION!

REGAINING CONTROL, ACE SET IT DOWN NEARBY, AND LATER...

YOU RISKED YOUR LIFE, MORGAN--BUT THE EXPLOSION EXPOSED A RICH VEIN OF ORE! IF YOU WANT TO FLY SUPPLIES FOR US, WE'LL BE ABLE TO PAY YOU WELL-- IN ABOUT A YEAR!

SORRY MEN, I CAN'T AFFORD IT! BUT GOOD LUCK, ANYWAY!

"LUCKY ACE" EH? LET'S ADD A LITTLE MORE LUCK! I'LL SLAP A WAD OF CHEWING GUM ON IT LIKE I'VE SEEN THEM DO IN SOME OF THOSE WAR MOVIES!

HEY THAT SIGN WAS FRESHLY PAINTED MR. HERO!

LUCKY ACE

LATER, AS AN UNPREDICTED STORM LASHED THE PLANE...

HOW GOOD ARE OUR CHANCES, "FLY BOY?"

BAD ENOUGH TO FORCE ME TO TRY A CRASH-LANDING! HERE GOES--!

AS THE SCREAMING CRAFT DIVED EARTHWARD...

WHAT AN IRONY--TO DIE JUST WHEN I LEARNED THE TRUE VALUES IN LIFE!

WRESTLING FOR THE BIG DOLLAR! WHAT A WASTE OF A LIFETIME!

I CLIMBED SOME MOUNTAINS, AND BUILT SOME GADGETS! SO WHAT...?

WHAT AN ACE I TURNED OUT TO BE!



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FOR A LONG TIME, SILENCE, DEEPEST SILENCE, FOLLOWED THE HORRENDOUS CRASH! THEN SOME TIME LATER, FOUR FIGURES CRAWLED FROM THE WRECKAGE...

IT'S FANTASTIC! WE SHOULD HAVE ALL DIED IN THERE! LOOK--EVEN MY WATCH STOPPED!

WE'RE LIVING ON BORROWED TIME, MEN! WELL--ARE WE GOING TO WASTE OUR "SECOND" LIVES, TOO--OR ARE WE GOING TO PUT THEM TO GOOD USE?



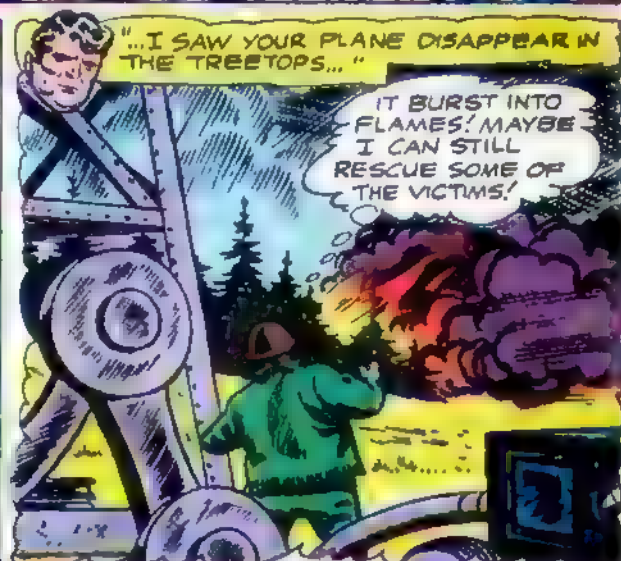
YOU KNOW THE DECISION WE MADE!

YES, YOU DETERMINED TO DEVOTE YOUR "NEW" LIVES TO FIGHTING THE EVILS OF THE UNKNOWN! BUT HERE'S SOMETHING YOU DON'T KNOW! I WAS FOREMAN OF AN OIL FIELD NEAR THE SPOT WHERE YOU CRASHED...



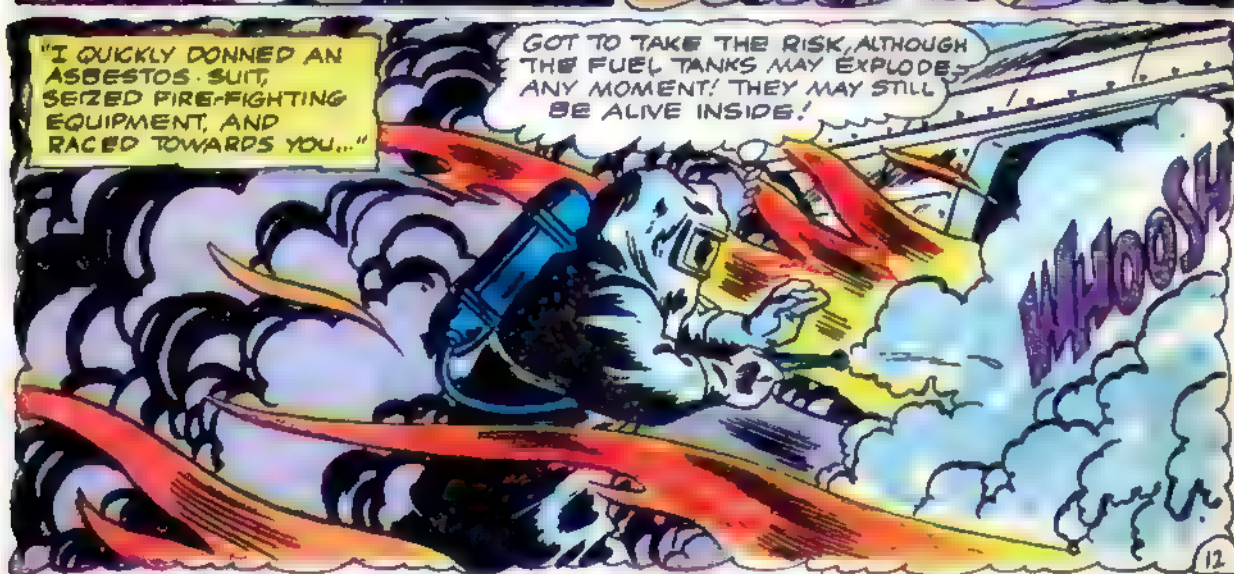
"...I SAW YOUR PLANE DISAPPEAR IN THE TREETOPS..."

IT BURST INTO FLAMES! MAYBE I CAN STILL RESCUE SOME OF THE VICTIMS!



"I QUICKLY DONNED AN ASBESTOS SUIT, SEIZED FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT, AND RACED TOWARDS YOU..."

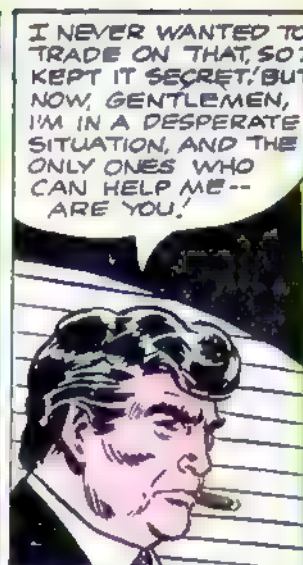
GOT TO TAKE THE RISK, ALTHOUGH THE FUEL TANKS MAY EXPLODE ANY MOMENT! THEY MAY STILL BE ALIVE INSIDE!





AFTER EXTINGUISHING THE FIRE, I FOUND YOU FOUR UNCONSCIOUS INSIDE! I RAN OFF FOR MEDICAL HELP, BUT WHEN I RETURNED, YOU WERE GONE! I KEPT THIS PIECE OF WRECK-AGE AS A MEMENTO!

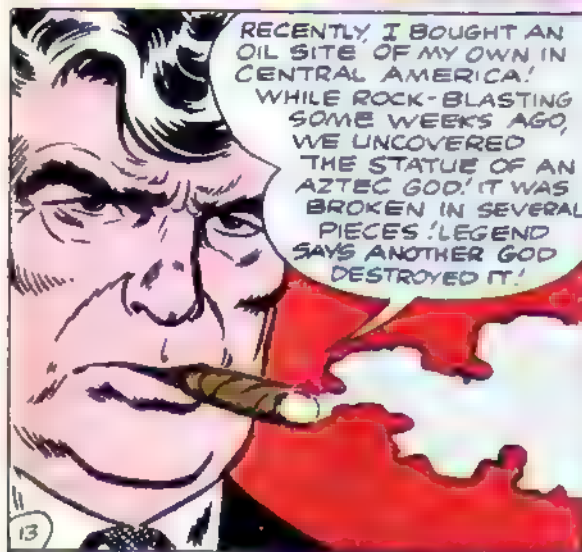
THIS PROVES IT, MEN! IT WASN'T FATE THAT SAVED OUR LIVES--IT WAS THIS MAN!



I NEVER WANTED TO TRADE ON THAT, SO I KEPT IT SECRET, BUT NOW, GENTLEMEN, I'M IN A DESPERATE SITUATION, AND THE ONLY ONES WHO CAN HELP ME-- ARE YOU.



IF ANYONE DESERVES OUR HELP, MR CLAYTON, IT'S YOU! WHAT'S UP?



RECENTLY, I BOUGHT AN OIL SITE OF MY OWN IN CENTRAL AMERICA! WHILE ROCK-BLASTING SOME WEEKS AGO, WE UNCOVERED THE STATUE OF AN AZTEC GOD! IT WAS BROKEN IN SEVERAL PIECES! LEGEND SAYS ANOTHER GOD DESTROYED IT!



THE NATIVES REFUSE TO CONTINUE WORKING UNTIL THE STATUE HAS BEEN REASSEMBLED! BUT THEY BELIEVE THAT TO TOUCH THE INDIVIDUAL PARTS MEANS DEATH!

SO YOU WANT US TO PUT IT TOGETHER! WELL, ANCIENT CURSES DON'T BOTHER US! WE'LL BE GLAD TO HELP THE MAN WHO SAVED OUR LIVES!

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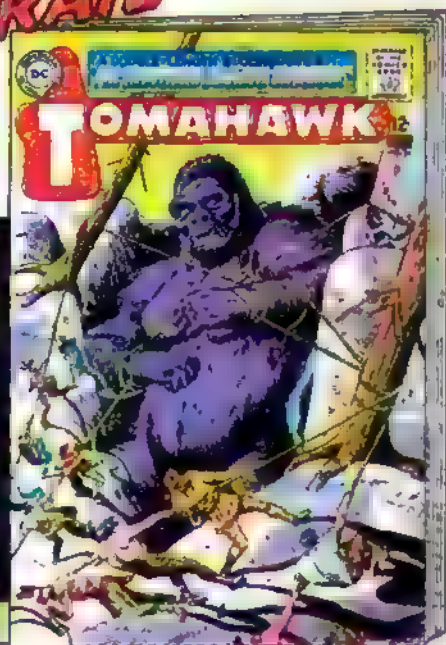
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Dear Challengers: There is one subtle factor about the CHALLENGERS that may be overlooked by fans, and that is the clash of their different personalities, handled moderately, never excessively, but always believably. Each man contributes his particular skill when the need arises, and that makes it a great team, the greatest team in comics today, aided and abetted by the superior art work of Bob Brown. Continued success, and thanks for your time.

Tommy Jones, Aberdeen, Md.

For such compliments, we always have time.

PEN PALS' POSTAL PICKINGS: To Walter Earle of Wilton, Conn.; Bobby Bernstein, Chicago; Joe LaMonte, San Diego, and dozens of others who have suggested locales for CHALLENGERS' stories, they pursue adventure wherever it occurs (and the writers dictate). . . . And to our unknown correspondent, who gave his address as 751 Yucca Street, Barstow, Calif., yes, there is a law about defacing U.S. currency, but Ace's life was at stake.

"There is a daydream that I always seem to have," writes David Keepnews of New York City. "In the dream, I gain superpowers, maybe on Earth, maybe on another planet, and join the remarkable band known as the CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN. Your comic book is so original and exciting, I'll always buy it. And about joining that team, I'll never, never give up!" (Editor's Note: Thanks for the flattering remarks. As for joining the team, see the Feb.-March issue of CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN, featuring a story "The Fifth Challenger," which concerns someone who has aspirations re joining the team!)

Readers who have urged us to return Cosmo, the CHALLENGERS' space pet, will be pleased to know that he will reappear in the June-July issue in a thrilling yarn with a surprise ending. . . . Many, many interesting comments and compliments have channeled through the Mail Chute, among them from Melvin Purdue, Westport, Ind.; Steven Goering, Moundridge, Kan.; Gary Haga, St. Paul, Minn.; Kenny Shoemaker, Mt. Vernon, Ohio; Miss Johnnie Faye Bowman, Knox, Ind.; Jeff Schamm, Downers Grove, Ill.; Thomas Brady, New York City; Kenneth Klerzek, Milwaukee; T. B. MacMillan, Hollywood, Calif.; Ben Barth, Seattle; and Casey Kennedy, Smithtown, Me.

Dear Challengers: The unknown always lures the CHALLENGERS, but I'd say they couldn't

solve this riddle, which has baffled the world since the tragedy occurred back in 1909. The 9,000-ton British liner *Waratah* was returning to London from Australia on its maiden voyage with 200 passengers and its crew aboard, when suddenly somewhere off the coast of South Africa, it disappeared. What added to the puzzle was that it was moving in a busy sea lane, in sight of land, and if it had fired rockets to indicate distress, the signals surely would have been spotted. But no one reported having seen any rockets, and the six rescue craft that searched the area failed to find any trace of it.

D. D. Dixon, Frankfurt, Ky.

Dear Challengers: The Space Age has introduced a whole new vocabulary. Where do the people involved get their expressions, like "Eyeballs in," which means the direction of the pressure caused by great acceleration, such as a take-off?

H. W. Greene, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Yes, the new linguists of the Space Age speak a growing language that already ranges from "A-Okay" (meaning all systems working perfectly) to "Zero-G" (the state of weightlessness). According to a spokesman for the Aerojet-General Corp., a leading missile manufacturer, in many cases the men simply grasp the handiest coinages of the moment to describe their world. "Eyeballs out," for instance, is, of course, the opposite pressure under deceleration. "Blowoff," for another, might sound like the loudmouth of the launch site, but really means separation of a payload from the rocket by an explosive device.

"Gimbal" is not the kind that wouldn't tell Macy. It means to swivel a rocket's nozzle to alter its course. "Sitting Fat" doesn't describe a plump person, but in orbit describes that everything is working fine, or A-Okay. "T-Time" is not an afternoon break with biscuits. It's when the button is pushed to launch a missile. And a "Sunseeker" doesn't refer to a sunbather, but is a gadget that keeps instruments aimed at the sun. As the Space Age expands, and the words become more commonplace, schools, no doubt, will introduce the expressions so that students will have a better understanding of the world they live in, and the language its inhabitants use.

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THE CHALLENGERS MAKE PLANS, THEN LOAD EQUIPMENT ABOARD THEIR JET TRANSPORT FOR THE NEW ASSIGNMENT. FINALLY, ACCOMPANIED BY THE MAN WHO ONCE SAVED THEIR LIVES, THEY TAKE OFF FOR THEIR DESTINATION. BUT WHAT LIES AHEAD--THE MERE MECHANICAL PROBLEM OF REASSEMBLING AN ANCIENT STATUE, OR IS THERE TRULY SOME SUPERNATURAL MENACE WITHIN.

the WARRIOR from 1,000 A.D.

THERE IT IS, GENTLEMEN--THE STATUE AND ITS DETACHED ARMS! MY MEN MOVED A CRANE INTO PLACE, AS YOU ASKED. BUT THEY HAD TO BE PERSUADED!

WHO CAN BLAME THEM? THAT'S A MENACING-LOOKING IDOL, MR. CLAYTON!

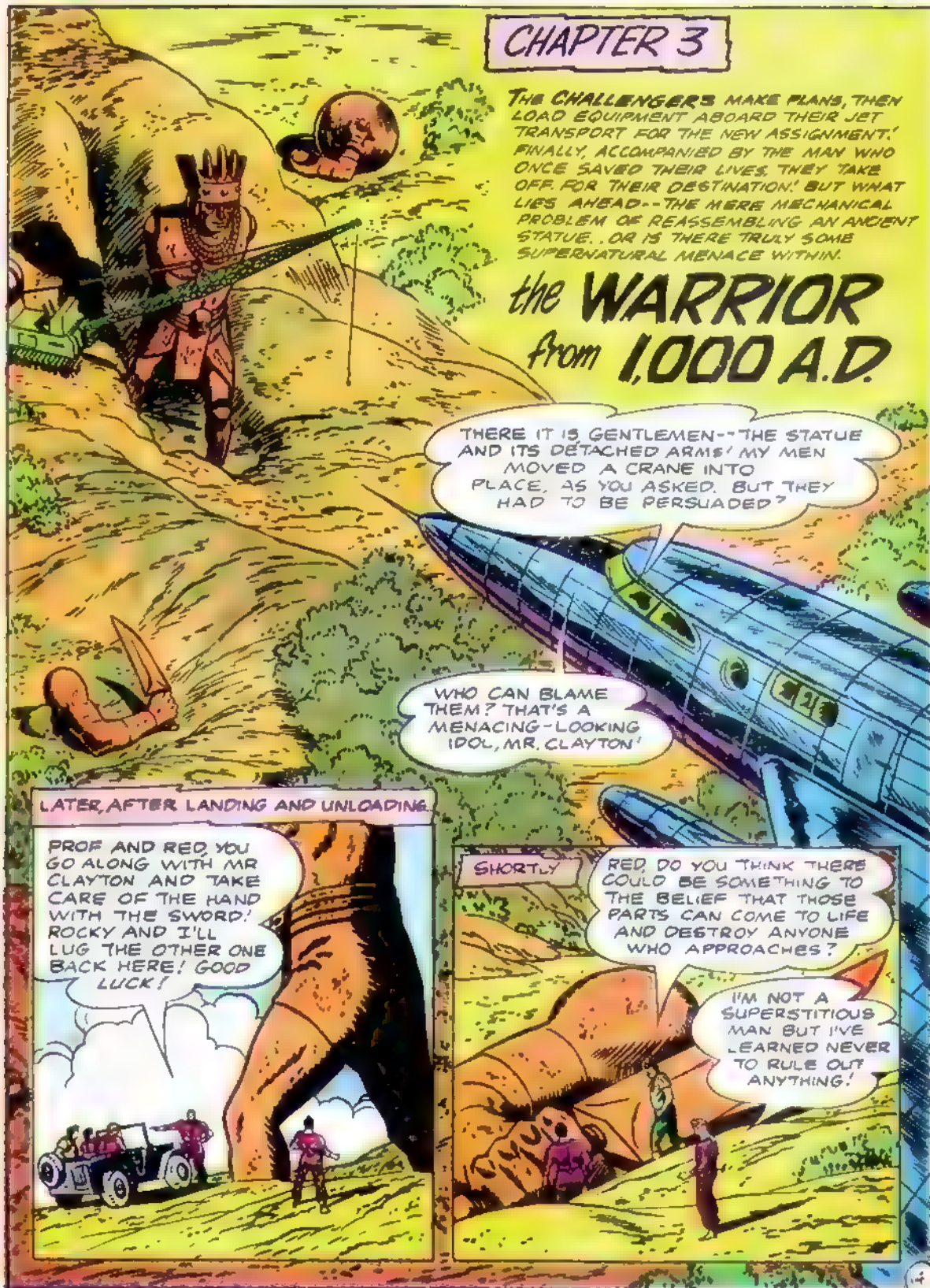
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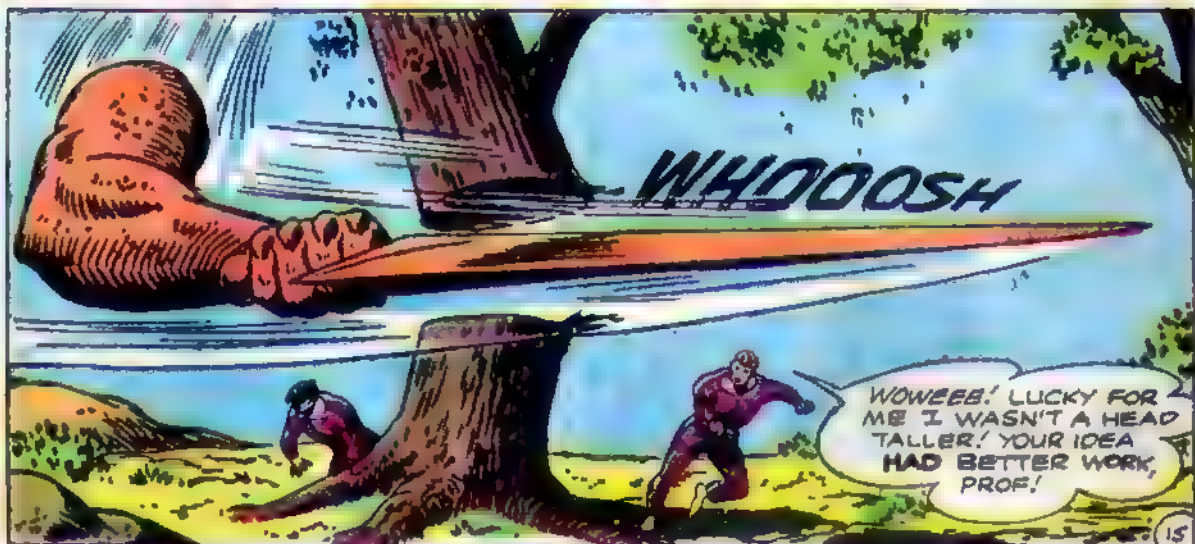
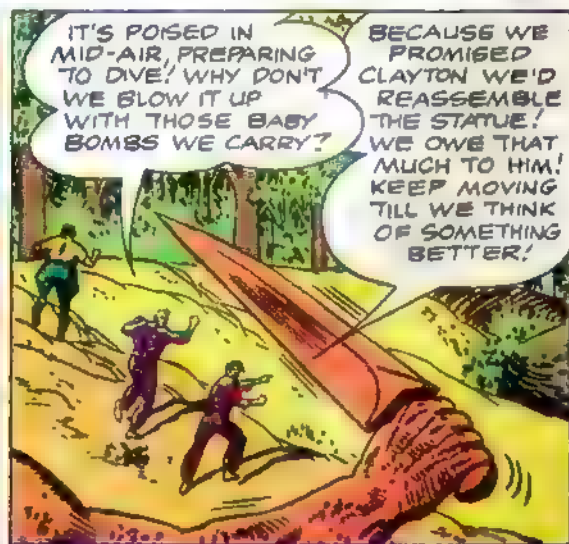
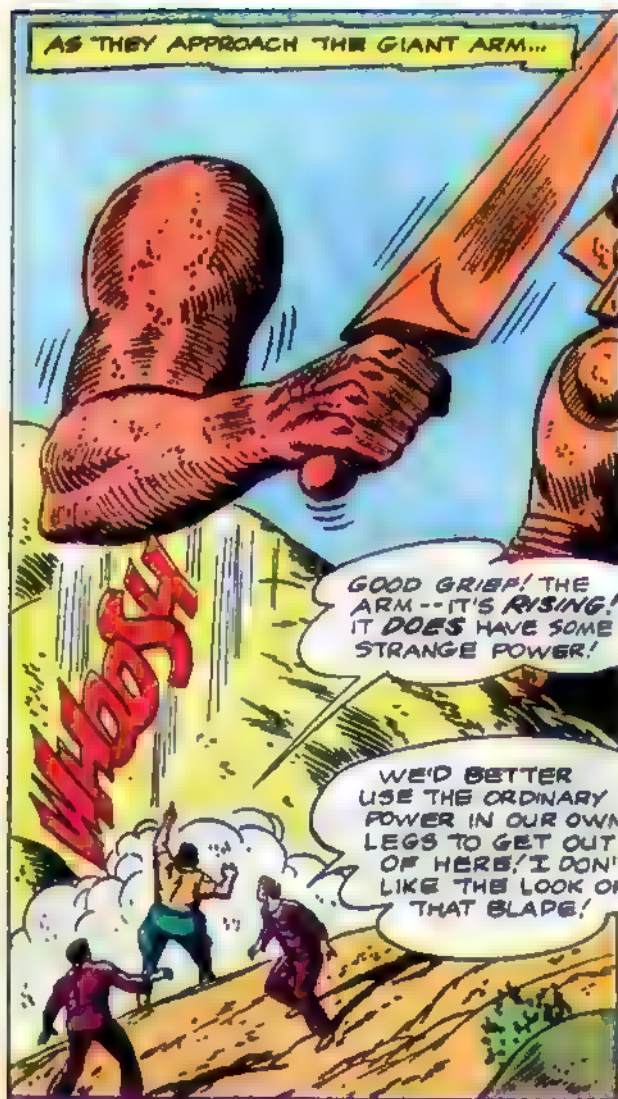
PROF AND RED, YOU GO ALONG WITH MR. CLAYTON AND TAKE CARE OF THE HAND WITH THE SWORD! ROCKY AND I'LL LUG THE OTHER ONE BACK HERE! GOOD LUCK!

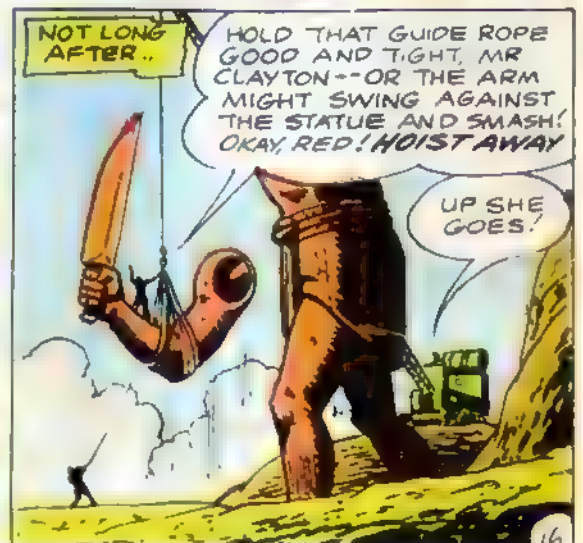
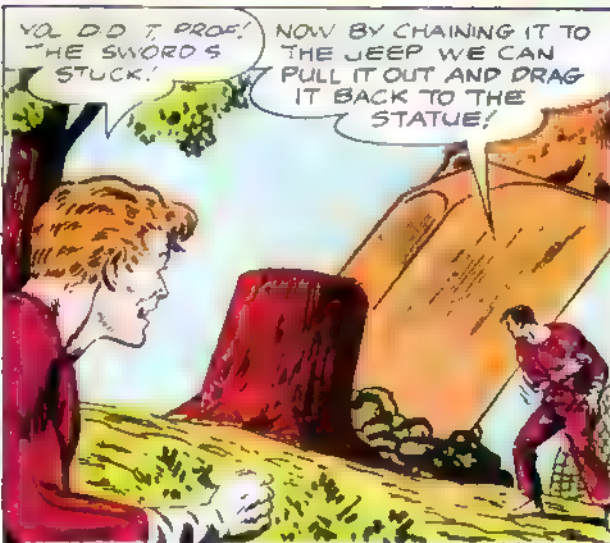
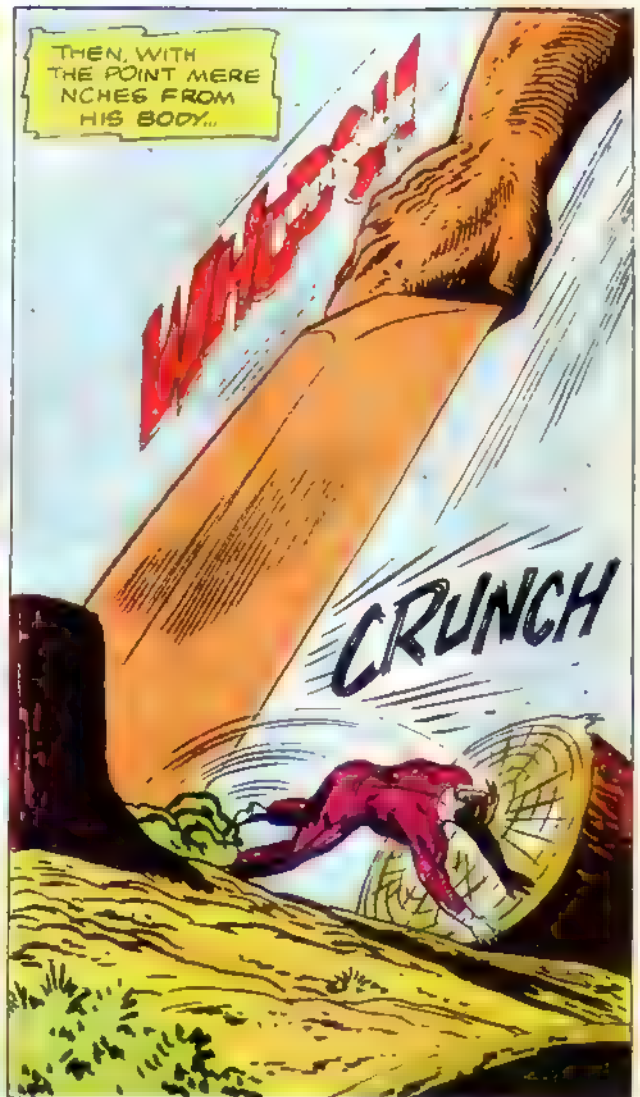
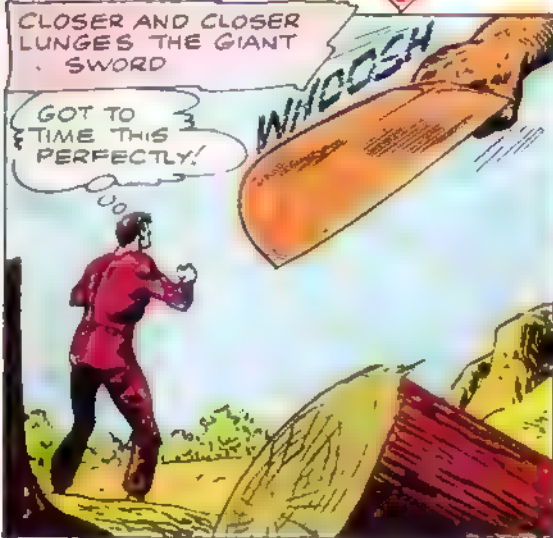
SHORTLY

RED, DO YOU THINK THERE COULD BE SOMETHING TO THE BELIEF THAT THOSE PARTS CAN COME TO LIFE AND DESTROY ANYONE WHO APPROACHES?

I'M NOT A SUPERSTITIOUS MAN BUT I'VE LEARNED NEVER TO RULE OUT ANYTHING!

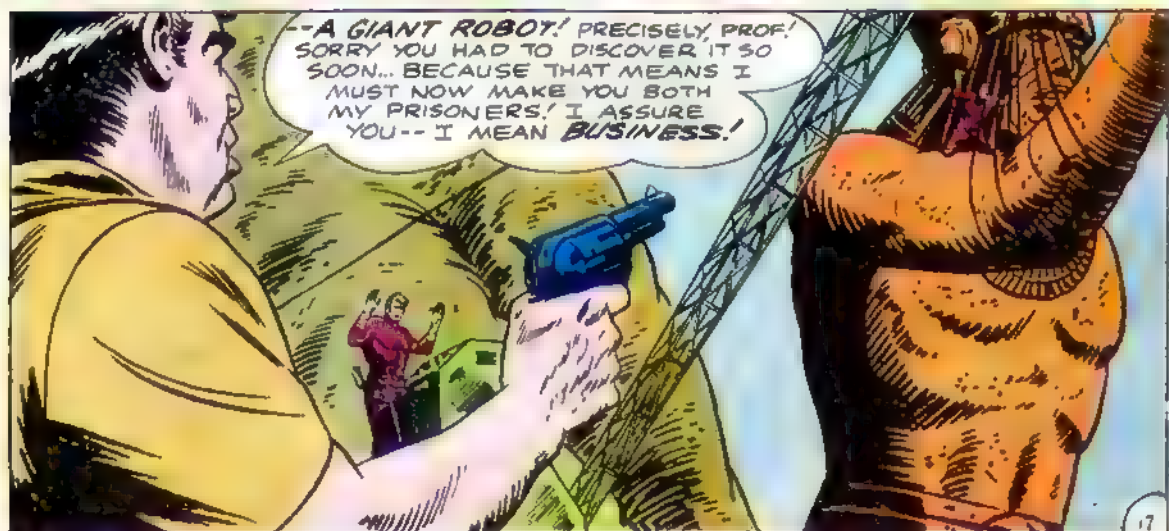
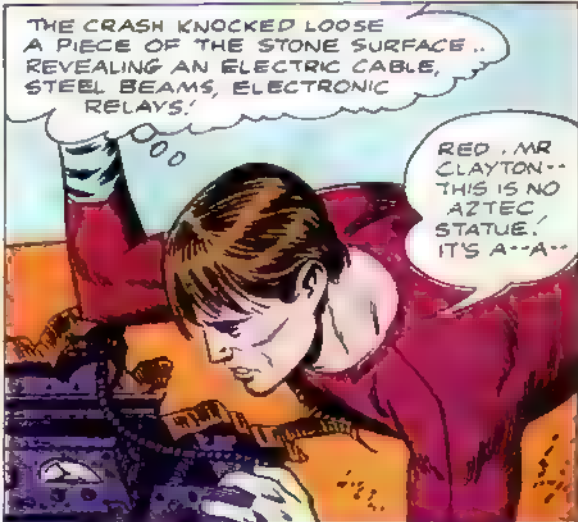
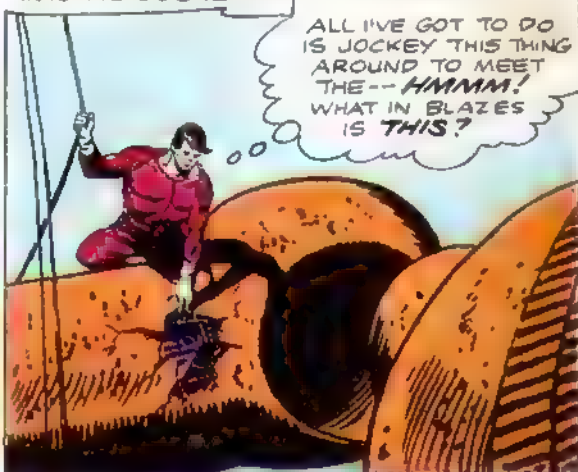


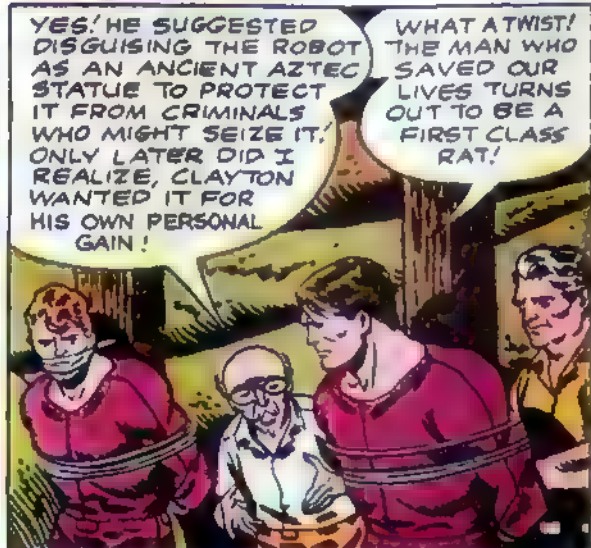
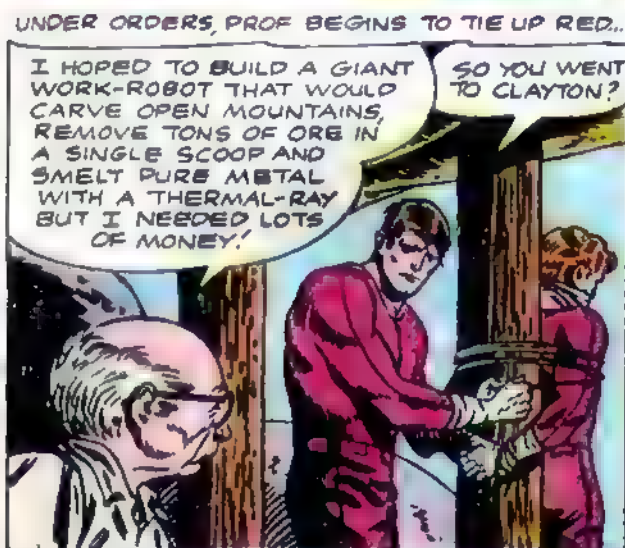
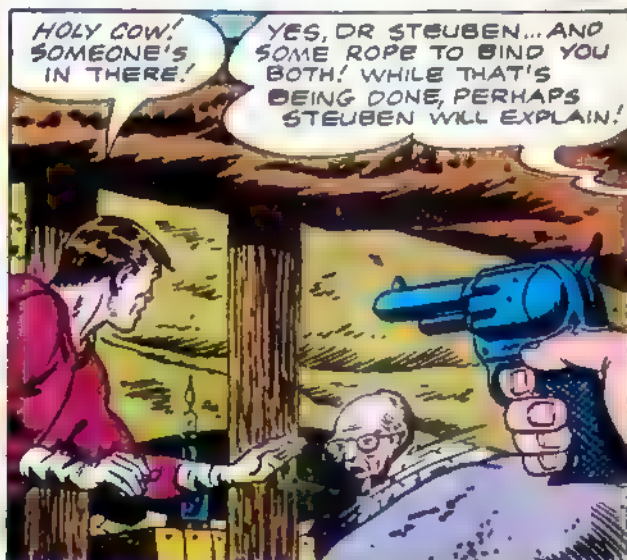






AS PROF PREPARES TO MANEUVER THE ARM INTO ITS SOCKET

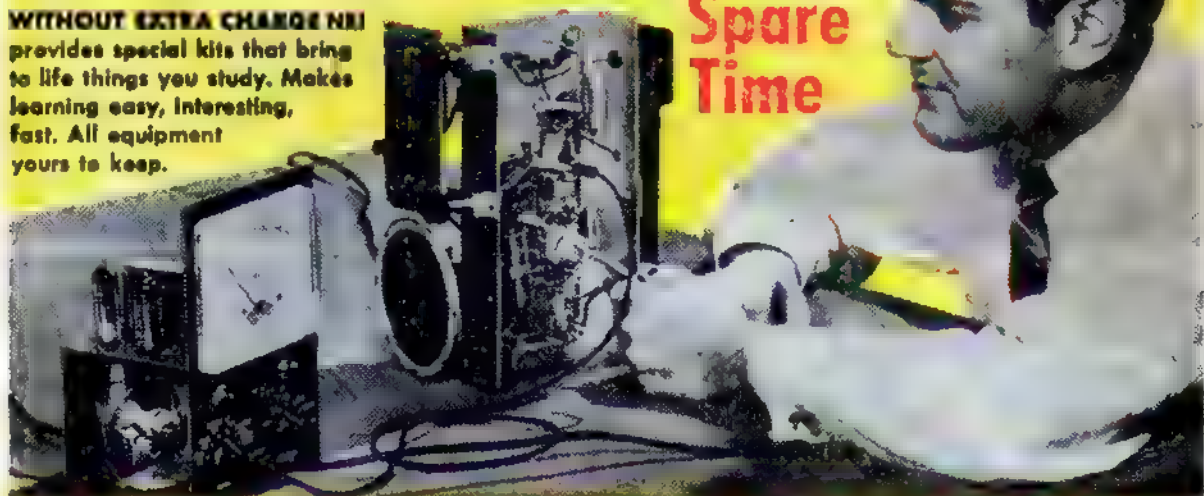




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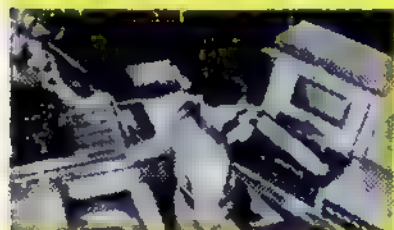
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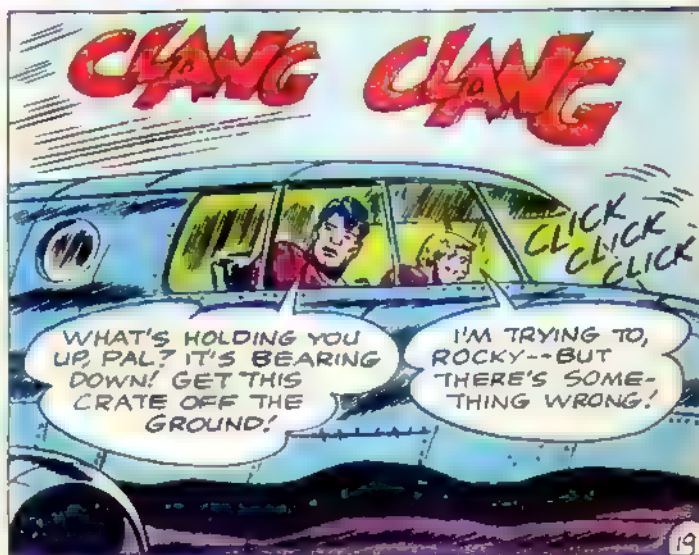
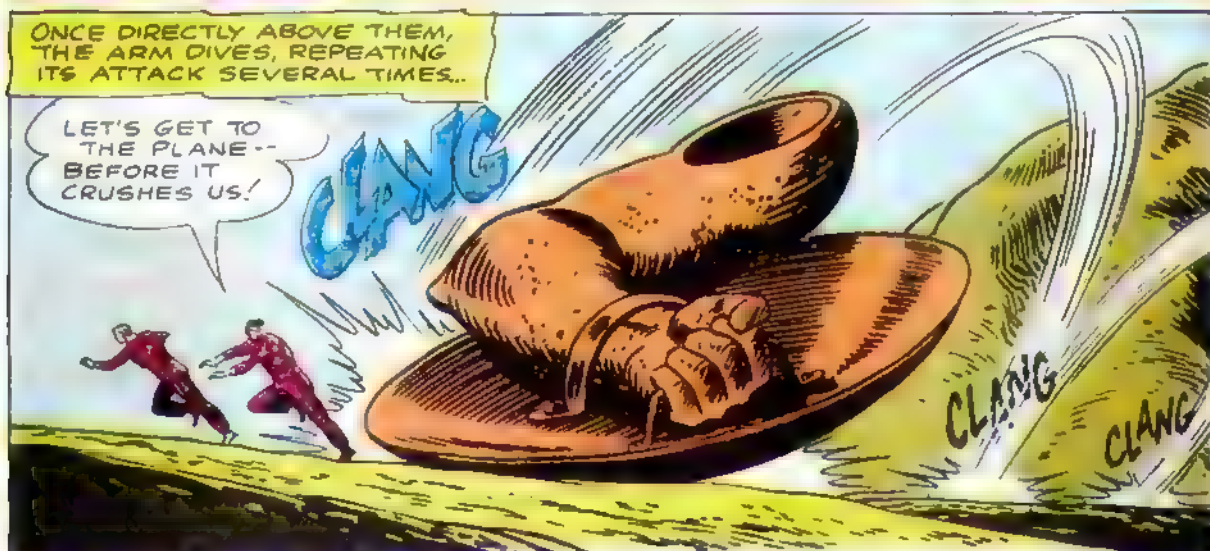
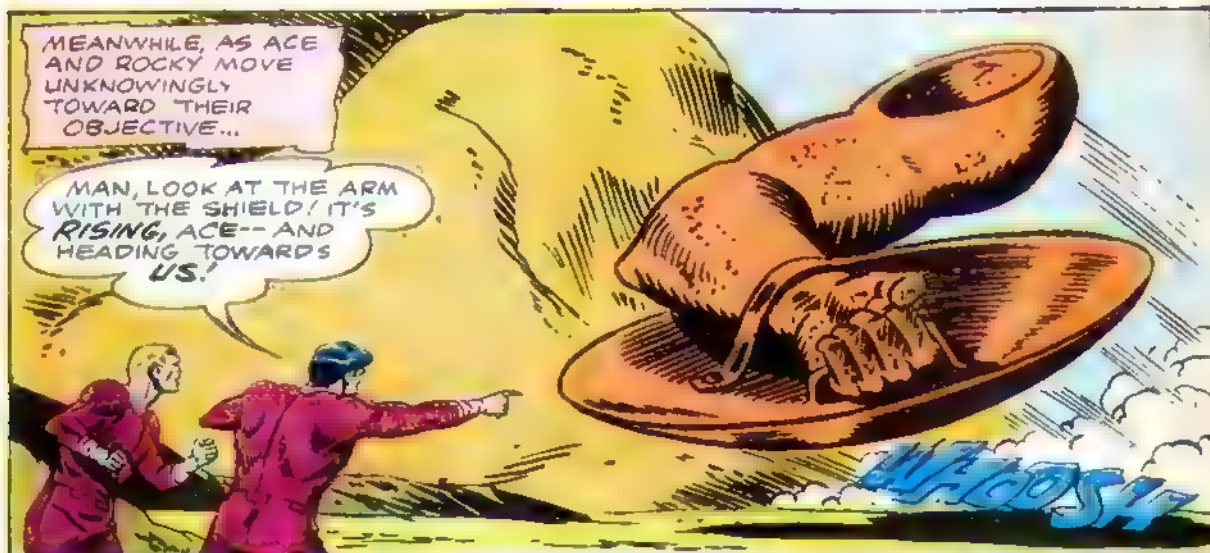
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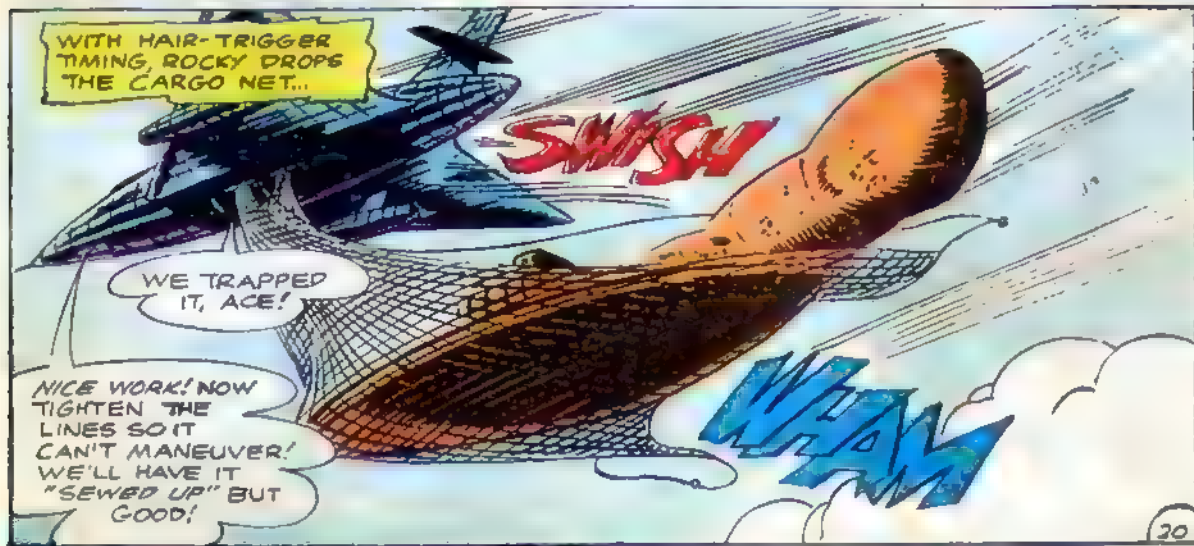
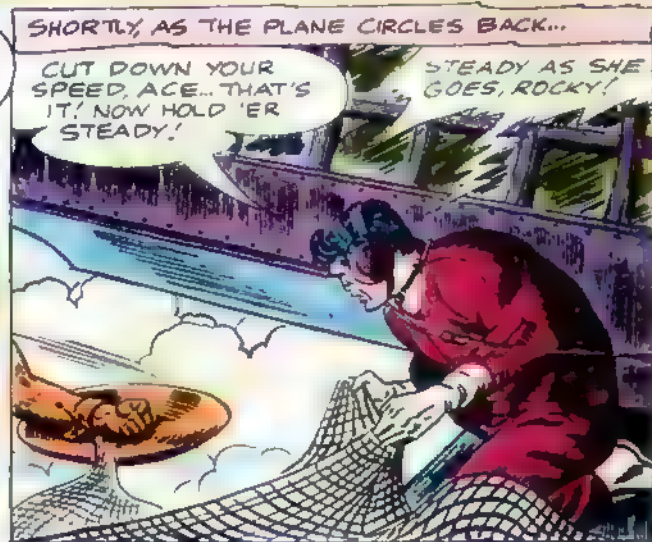
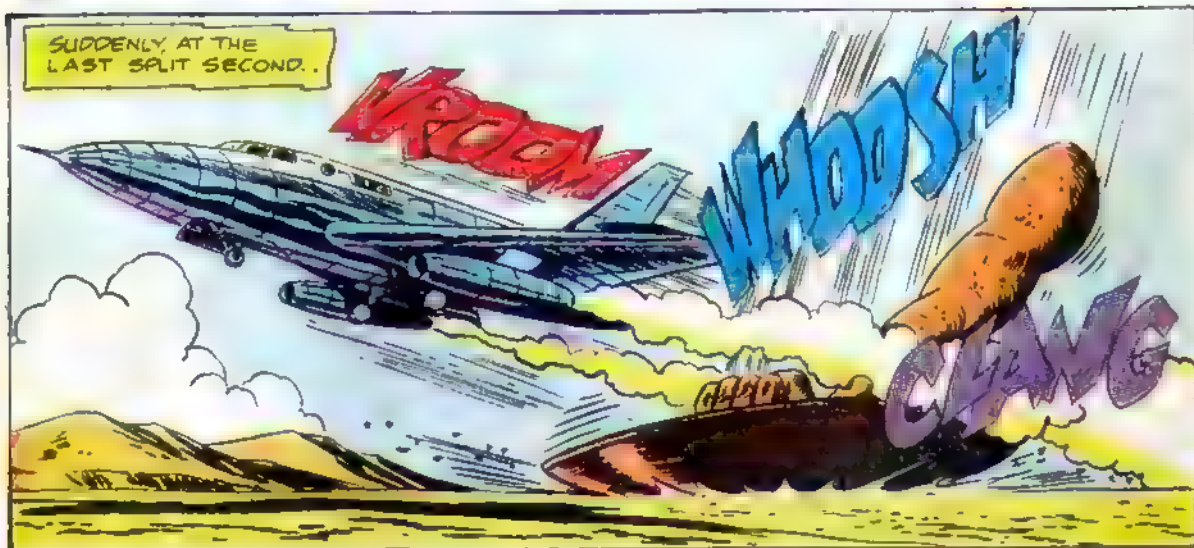
Before enrolling I could hardly make ends meet. Now I have my own business, the best instruments and a service truck.
JULIUS HILLENBRAND, Brooklyn, N.Y.

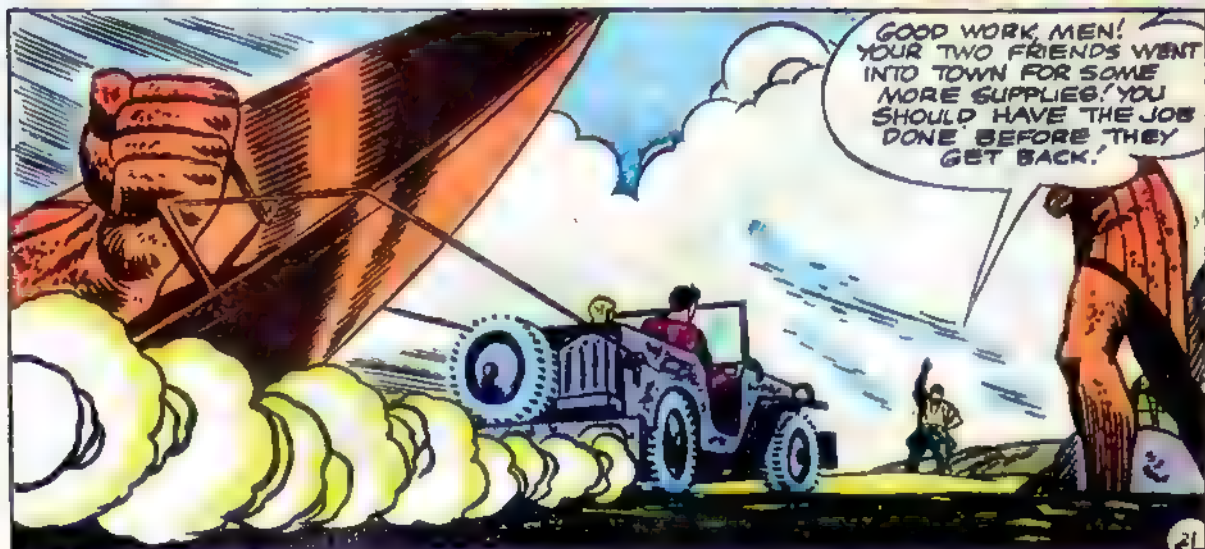
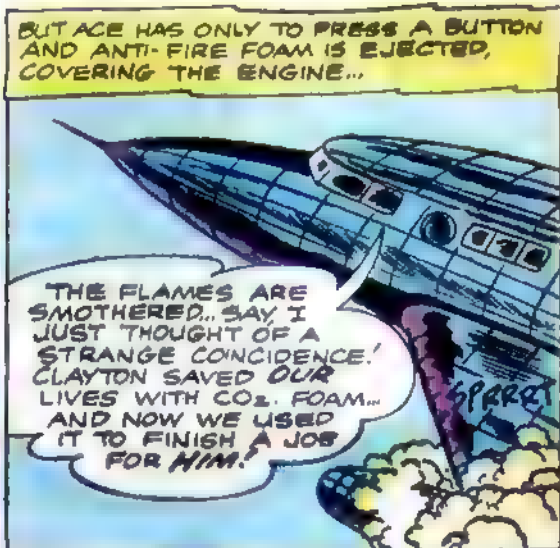
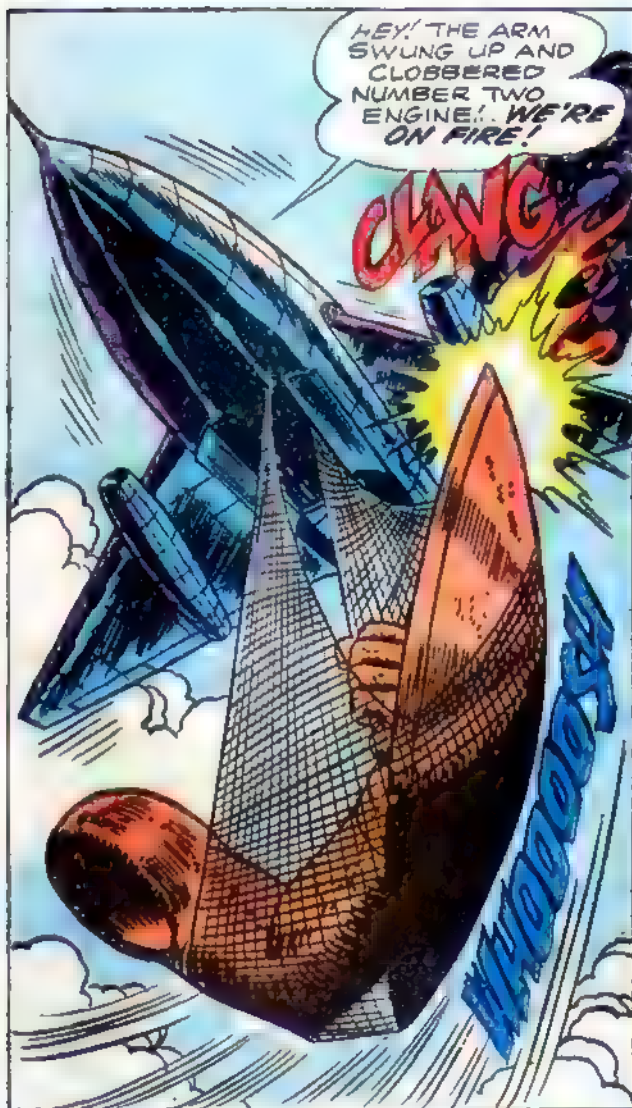
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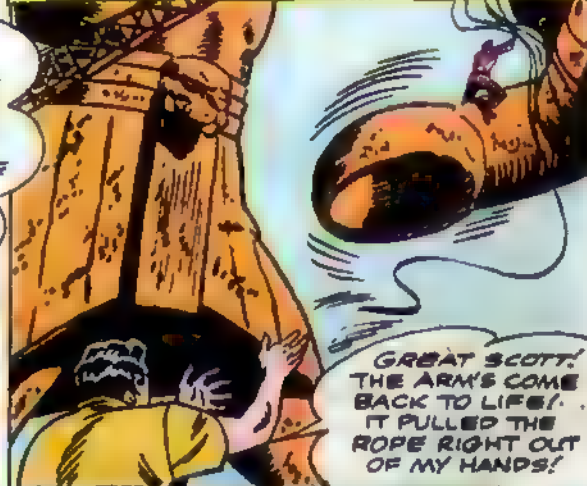
SOON, AS THE FINAL PHASE GETS UNDER WAY...

BUT, SUDDENLY, AS THE CABLE RISES...

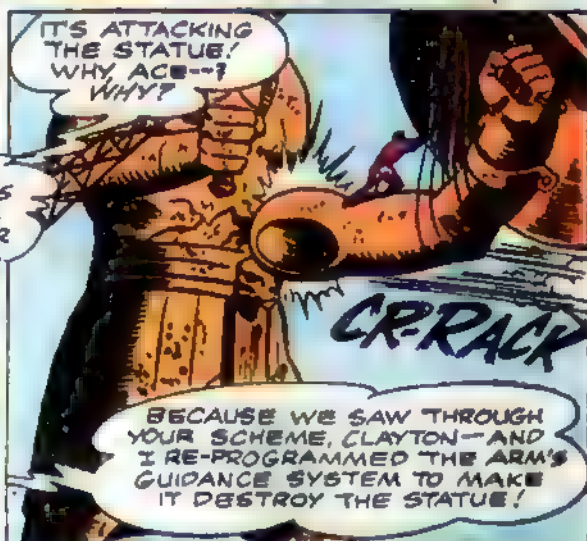


OKAY, ACE!
LIFT 'ER UP!
AND YOU HOLD
TIGHT ON THE
GUIDE ROPE,
CLAYTON!
A FEW MORE
MINUTES
AND IT'LL
ALL BE
OVER!

IT SURE WILL-- AND
CLAYTON WILL POSSESS
THE MOST POWERFUL
MECHANICAL WARRIOR
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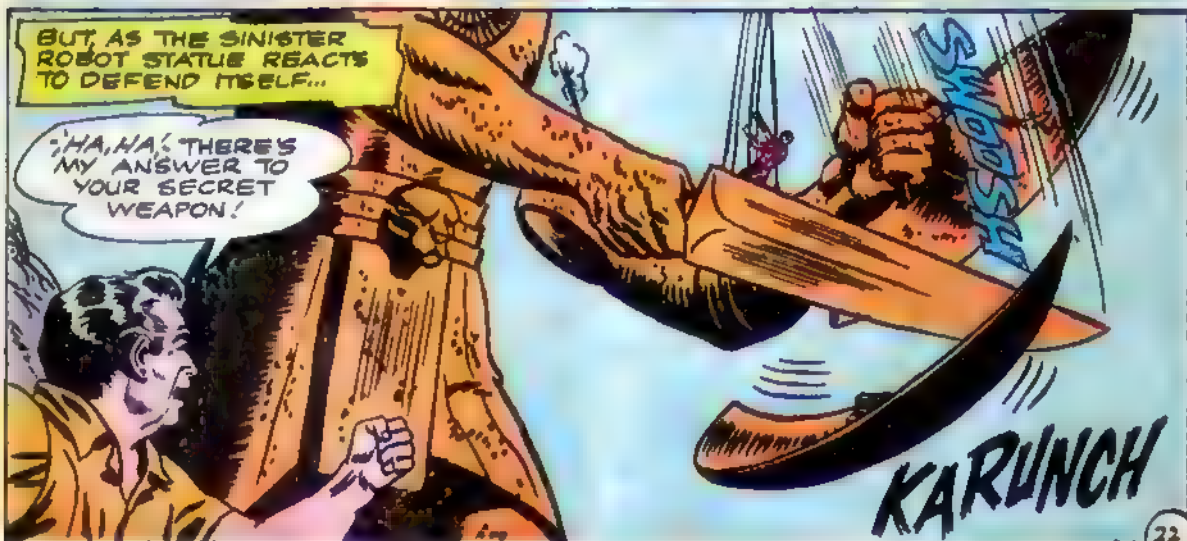
GREAT SCOTT!
THE ARM'S COME
BACK TO LIFE!
IT PULLED THE
ROPE RIGHT OUT
OF MY HANDS!



IT'S ATTACKING
THE STATUE!
WHY ACE--?
WHY?

CR-RACK

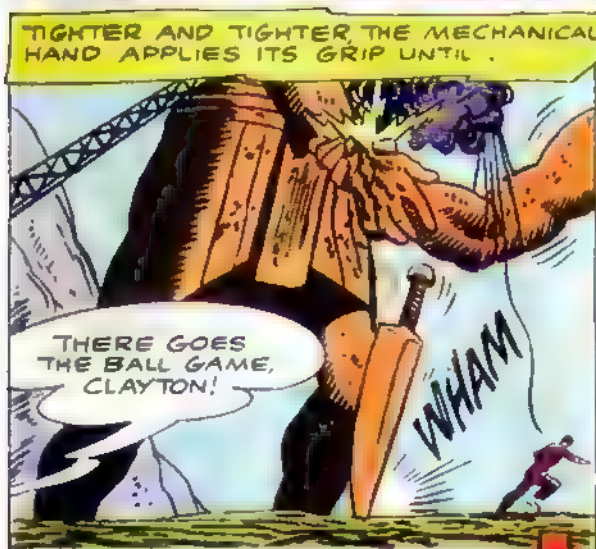
BECAUSE WE SAW THROUGH
YOUR SCHEME, CLAYTON--AND
I RE-PROGRAMMED THE ARM'S
GUIDANCE SYSTEM TO MAKE
IT DESTROY THE STATUE!



BUT, AS THE SINISTER
ROBOT STATUE REACTS
TO DEFEND ITSELF...

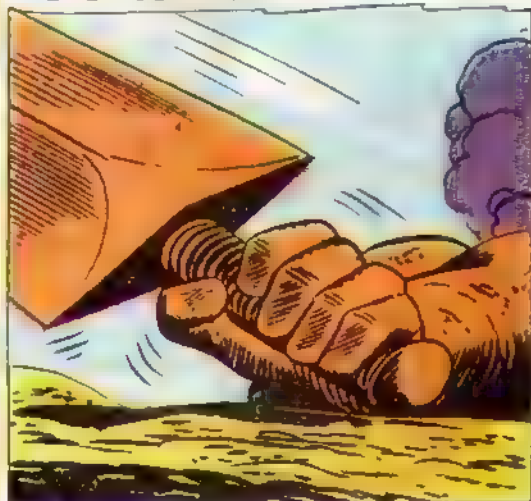
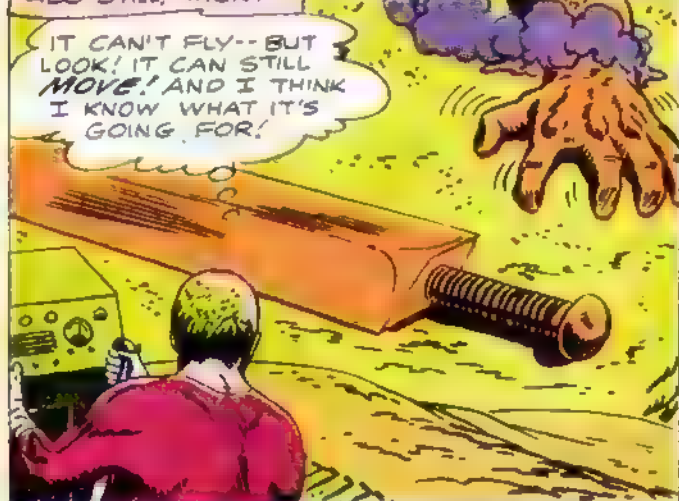
'HA, HA! THERE'S
MY ANSWER TO
YOUR SECRET
WEAPON!

KARUNCH

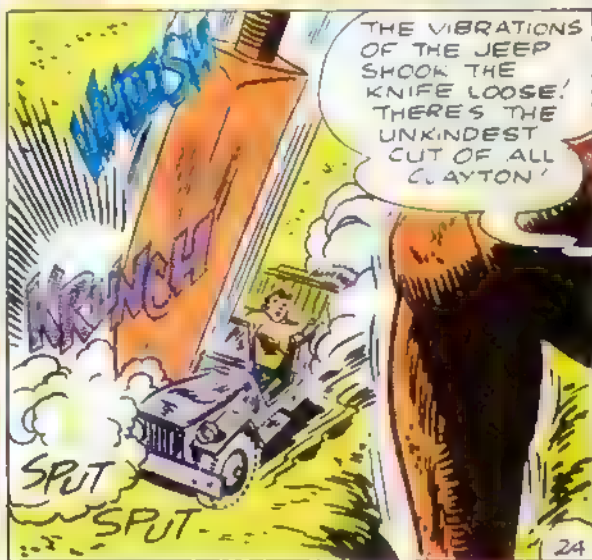
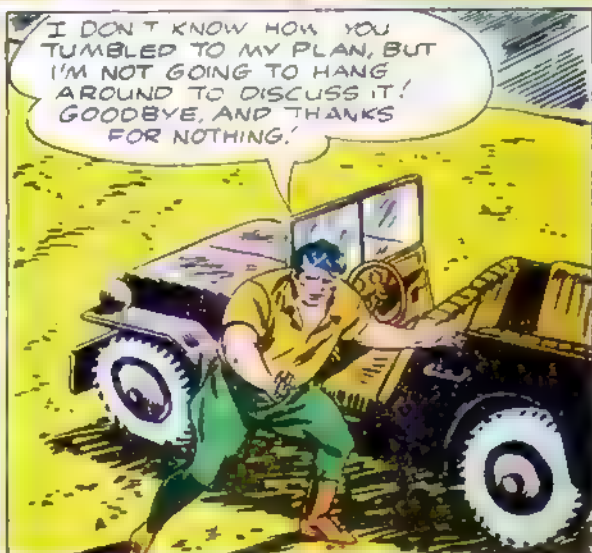


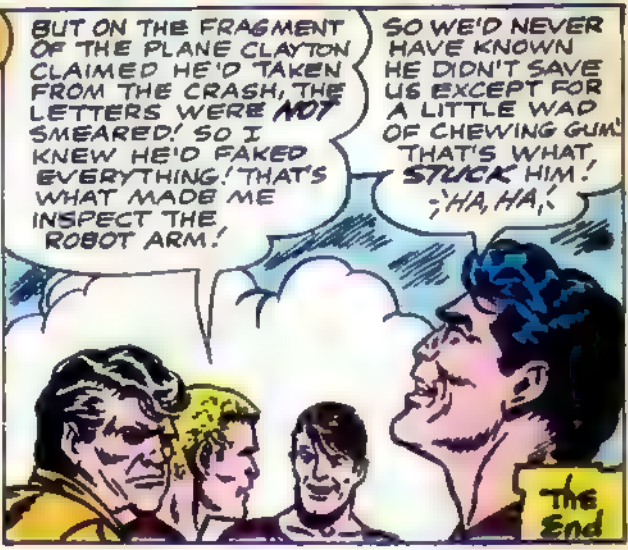
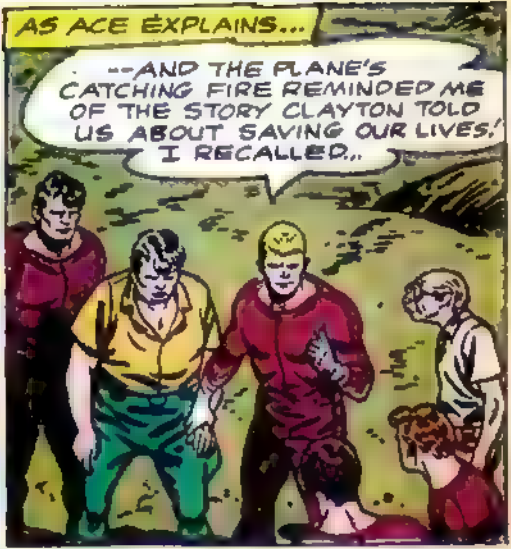
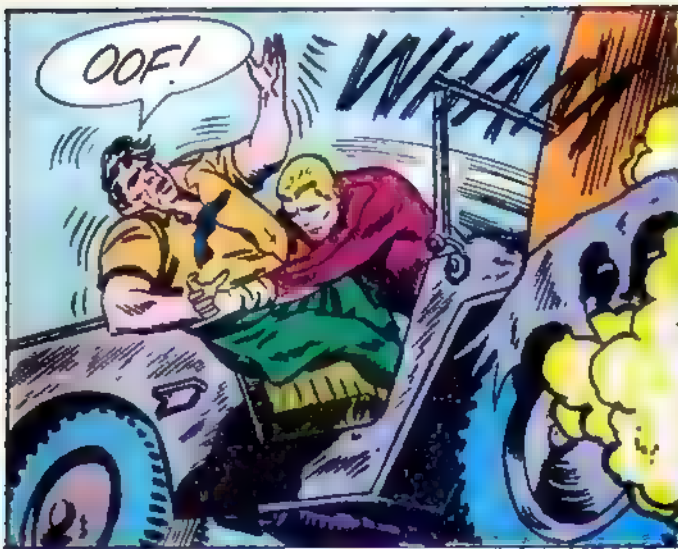
THE GREAT, SMOKING LIMB PLUMMETS TO EARTH LIES STILL, THEN.

SWIFTLY, MECHANICAL FINGERS REACH OUT AND...



WITH ONE, FINAL, AUTOMATED EFFORT...





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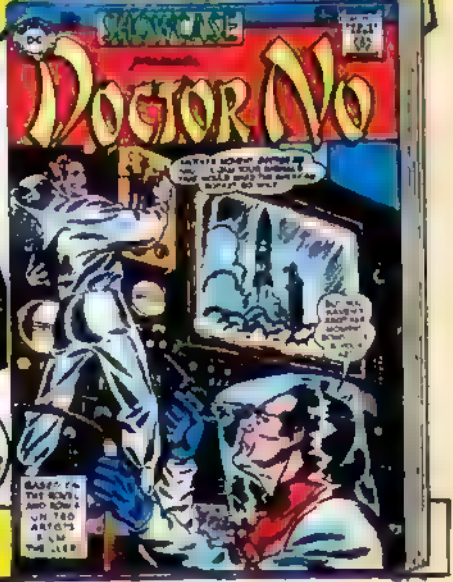
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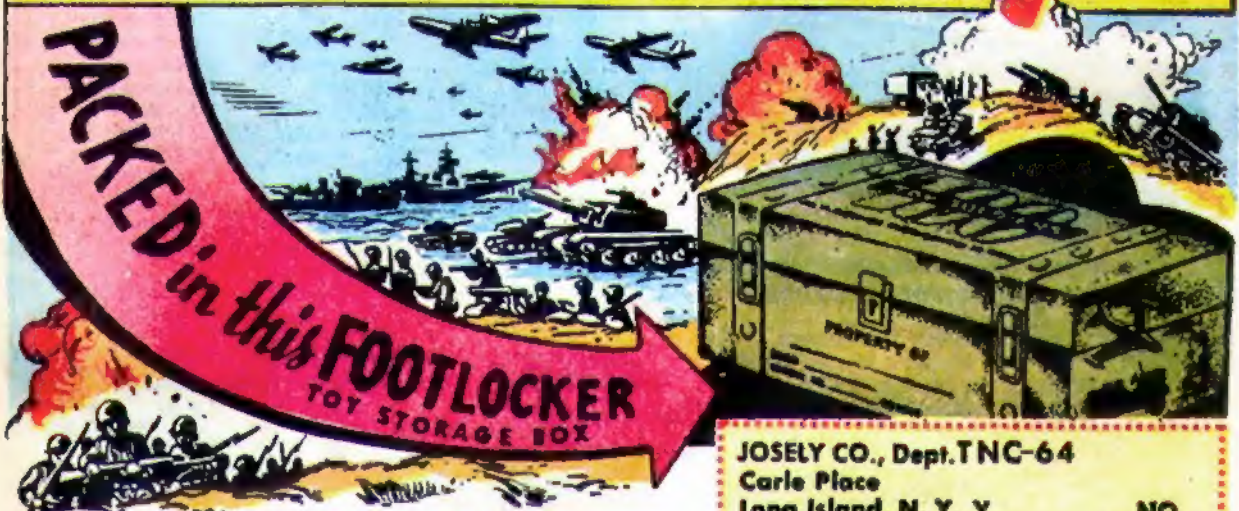
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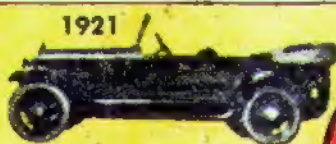
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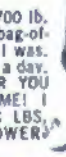
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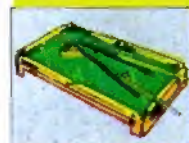
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